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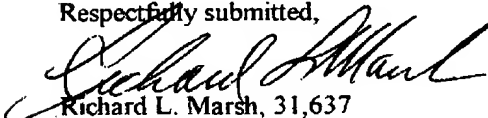
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**TO: USPTO Group Art Unit 2854****04/26/2004****ATTN: Examiner Kevin D. Williams****FAX # (703) 872-9306****Serial # 09/872,841****Filed 06/01/2001****Applicant: Straub, et al.****Docket 20115****MESSAGE: Dear Examiner Williams:**

Please enter the following Amendment B of record in the above cited application. No formal drawings, fees or formal signatures are required and Applicants believe that this facsimile transmission is in compliance with the requirements set forth in 37CFR 1.6 and 1.8. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the remaining claims in this application, however, if the Examiner insists on any of the rejections, Applicants also respectfully request the Examiner's assistance in making the claims allowable. The undersigned Agent for Applicants is available between the hours of 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. CDT, except Wednesday and Thursday afternoons.

Respectfully submitted,



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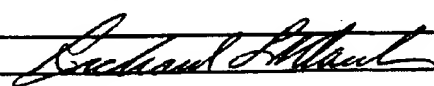
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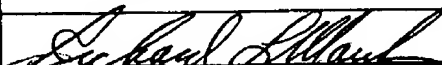
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Serial No. 09/872,841

Examiner: Kevin D. Williams

Filed: 01 June 2001

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AMENDMENT B

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of 29 January 2004, please amend the specification, Serial number 09/872,841 as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 9 and 10 and amend claims 1, 15 - 20 and 28 as follows. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121, Applicants submit a complete set of amended claims in the instant application with claim identifiers for all claims and marked up portions of amended claims. The claims begin on separate page 2. Remarks begin on page 6.

FEES:

Applicants have canceled claims 9 and 10 and amended claims 1, 15 - 20 and 28 in the original specification in order to comply with the statutes and to overcome prior art rejections as advanced in the Office Action of 29 January 2004. Applicants believe that no fees are required, however, Applicants respectfully request prompt notification in case missing fees are required in order correct such deficiency in a timely manner so that this amendment will be fully responsive on the effective date thereof.

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